AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) Method of backing up personal data of a wireless communication · network subscriber, the data being memorised in a mobile communication device and backed up in a network server, in which a first subset of data is prepared from among a batch of data to be backed up and is transmitted to the server for backing up,

characterised in that it comprises a so-called wherein said method includes an asynchronous backup mode 40 according to in which, once a subset has been transmitted to the server, the backup is delayed (12, 22, 33) by a certain period of time so as to free the mobile device for the user, and the backup is resumed at the end of this period.

2. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1, characterised in that wherein, in order to resume the backup, the server implements a countdown of the period (12) and sends a resume signal (14) to the a chip card in the mobile device at the end of said period. ·

3. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1, characterised in that wherein, in order to resume the backup, the mobile device implements a

countdown of the period (22, 33) and sends a resume signal (24, 35) to ~~the~~ a chip card in the mobile device at the end of said period.

4.   (Currently Amended)   Method according to claim 3, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the mobile implements the countdown and sends the resume signal upon receiving ~~the~~ an instruction from the chip card.

5.   (Currently Amended)   Method according to claim 4, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the chip card gives instructions to the mobile device by means of STK commands.

6.   (Currently Amended)   Method according to claim 4, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the chip card gives instructions by means of "GET STATUS" commands.

7.   (Currently Amended)   Method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that it comprises~~ further comprising a prior assessment step (38) ~~in~~ which ~~it~~ determines whether the volume of data to be backed up or the corresponding waiting time required to make the mobile device available to the user is higher than a predetermined threshold,

    - if so, the backup is performed according to the asynchronous backup mode 40,

    - and if not, the backup is carried out according to a default mode 41.

8.   (Currently Amended) Server for backing up personal data of a wireless communication network subscriber, the data having been previously memorised in a mobile communication device, said server being able to back up a first subset of data from among a batch of data to be backed up,

~~characterised in that it comprises a so-called~~ said server including an asynchronous server backup program that can implement the following functions:

- receiving and saving a subset of data and entering a waiting mode according to a delay instruction,

- and, at the end of the delay instruction, resuming the backup of ~~the~~ subsequent subsets of data.

9.   (Currently Amended)   Portable wireless communication device belonging to a communication network subscriber, comprising memorised data and a "device" backup application that can transmit a first subset of data from among a batch of data to be backed up to the server for backing up,

~~characterised in that~~ wherein the device application can, according to an asynchronous backup mode 4~~0~~:

- delay by a given period of time the backup of a subset of data that is subsequent to the first subset, so as to ensure that the user can use the device,

- and resume the backup at the end of the period.

10. (Currently Amended)   Portable device according to claim 9, ~~characterised in that it comprises~~ wherein said device selectively operates according to an asynchronous backup mode 4~~0~~ and a normal mode 4~~1~~.